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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some State Governments forwarded their drinking water supply projects for Assistance/Loan from World Bank;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the present position of each projects, State-wise;

(d) the action taken by the Government on each project; and

(e) the time by which these projects are likely to be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) to (e) Yes, Sir. Rural Drinking Water Supply proposals had been received from the States of Uttaranchal, Punjab and Tamil Nadu which were posed to the World Bank. While the,project for Uttaranchal has been finalized for World Bank assistance of US$ 120 million, that of Punjab and Tamil Nadu is at appraisal stage. World Bank-assisted projects of rural water supply are on- going in Maharashtra and Karnataka and in these cases, request for scaling up of World Bank assistance is being considered.

In addition, the States of Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh have recently sent fresh proposals.These will follow the usual cycle of project preparation, appraisal and finalisation.

As far as drinking water supply in the urban sector is concerned, the project for Andhra Pradesh has been finalized with the World Bank. The project for Gujarat is under preparation and a fresh request has been received from the Government of Maharashtra.